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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application Of:) Confirmation No. 5724
Daniel DUPRET et al.) Group Art Unit: 1636
Application No.: 10/713,006) Examiner: Daniel M. SULLIVAN
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For: METHOD OF PREPARING POLYNUCLEOTIDE FRAGMENTS FOR USE IN

SHUFFLING, AND SHUFFLING OF SAME

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PETITION FOR THREE-MONTH EXTENSION OF TIME AND NOTICE OF APPEAL FROM THE EXAMINER TO THE BOARD OF PATENT APPEALS AND INTERFERENCES

Sir:

PETITION

Applicant respectfully petitions the Commissioner of the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office ("USPTO") for a three-month extension of time under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a) for responding to the final Office Action mailed on October 26, 2006 in the above-captioned patent application ("the Application"). Accordingly, it is respectfully requested that the time for response be extended up to and including April 26, 2007. Applicant previously submitted and paid the fee for a Petition for Two-Month Extension of Time on March 26, 2007. Therefore, the Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge the amount of \$285.00 to the undersigned's Deposit Account No. 50-0206 to cover the difference between the small entity fee set forth in 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(a) for a three-month extension of time and the small entity fee previously paid for a two-month extension of time.